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## *Corrections News*

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### **Bowen Appointed Boonville Correctional Center Warden**

Missouri Department of Corrections Director Larry Crawford has announced the appointment of John Bowen as Boonville Correctional Center (BCC) Warden effective November 1, 2007.

"I recognize John Bowen's tenured leadership at the Cremer Therapeutic Center in Fulton," said Crawford. "John successfully orchestrated a very efficient toxicology lab that has benefited the entire Department. I have no doubt that he will do great things at Boonville Correctional Center."

Bowen replaces Dean Minor, who had been BCC's Acting Warden. Minor has been appointed as Moberly Correctional Center Warden. Bowen had served as the Cremer Therapeutic Center Superintendent since 1998. Bowen began his career with the Department in 1977 as a Corrections Officer I (officer) at the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) in Jefferson City. Bowen was promoted to Corrections Officer II (sergeant) at the Central Missouri Correctional Center in 1979. In 1981, Bowen became a Corrections Classification Assistant, and was promoted to Parole Officer in 1984. Bowen transferred to MSP in 1985 and to the Renz Correctional Center in Jefferson City in 1988. Bowen was promoted to District Administrator in 1993 at BCC, and in 1998, he was appointed Superintendent at Cremer. Bowen graduated from Fordland High School in 1973 before joining the military that year. Bowen earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Lincoln University.

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